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have to do this and we should not have another year pass in which no man's land is filled in by people building things that they rip out. That doesn't make sense. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Landis. You've heard the opening on AM2957 to LB 888. Open for discussion. Senator Friend, followed by Senators Bourne, Hartnett, and Presiter. Senator Friend.

SENATOR FRIEND: Thank you, Mr. President. Where to begin? I think...consider LB 888 sort of like a new bike for me, I mean, because this is it. Last year, if you all remember, I didn't actually pass a bill. Now call that ineffective, I signed on to plenty of them. This is my new bike. Okay? And short of a couple of questions that I couldn't answer from Senator Synowiecki, and legitimate questions, by the way, which I will answer before, you know, obviously we get to Select File and we'll get this thing solved, the smart kid on the block has come along and tried to strap a jet engine to my bike. And I like the smart kid a lot and I want him to like me. But the problem is, is it needed? Is it something like this that's needed right now? Is a jet engine on a bike needed, especially my bike? guess the answer is yes and no. I was in that committee. been in that committee for two years. And I've made the statement over and over again, Aquila and MUD cannot play nicely in the sandbox, they just can't. And Senator Landis brings up a What happens next year? I have no idea but again good point. you're talking about the kid riding this bike and who knows what is going to happen with the certification issue because it is coming back. Senator Landis is right about that. I guess the second point is or the problem that I have here is once you strap that jet engine on, can you actually ride it? I mean what happens if this actually gets put onto this bill? Senator Landis is a very influential guy but I'm kind of worried about I can't ride a bike with a jet engine on it. And, you know, this is new territory. I guess the third thing is, is the smart kid going to teach me what I need to know and able to I don't know. I haven't received those assurances drive it? yet. I take Senator Landis at his word. I think he wants to approach this issue, and it needs to be approached. I guess I'm just being a little bit provincial. I'm worried about this